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She Has Compromised With the Holt Heirs

Settlement of One-Half of the Prop-

erty in Dispute-Min Throckmor-

ton Continues the Fight.

those intimately connected with the case,

it will be to the general public to learn that

the controversy over the estate of the late

Judge Advocate General Joseph Hoit has

been compromised and settled to the extent

ficiary under the alleged will of February 7, 1873, with Miss Josephine Holt Throck-

morton, has withdrawn from any further

contest over the document, and has assigned

to the heirs-at-law of Judge Holt all the

title, interests and rights she would enjoy

under the same. In consideration of Miss

understood that she received from the heirs-

at-law a sum which will fully compensate

the case. The amount, it is further under-

Miss Hynes, it will be recalled, was a

was declared by the jury not to have been

Judge Holt's will, she, together with Miss

Throckmorton and Mr. Luke Devlin, the executor named in the instrument, signi-

fied an intention to join in the appeal from

the conclusion of the jury. Late yesterday afternoon, however, there was filed in the Probate Court an appeal bond, in which only the names of Miss Throckmorton and

Mr. Devlin appeared. In explanation of the non-participation in the appeal by Miss Hynes, there was also fied at the same time a stipulation signed by Messrs. Jere M. Wilson and A. S. Worthington, repre-

senting the heirs-at-law, and by Mr. J. J. Darlington, on behalf of Miss Throck-

morton and Mr. Devlin. The stipulation is that Miss Throckmorton and Mr. Devlin should give their appeal bond in the sum

of \$5,000 and prosecute their appeal without the concurrence in said bond or in said

appeal by Miss Hynes, in like manner and with like effect as if there had been a

fermal summons and severance as to Miss Hynes, their co-caveatee. The case will now go to the Court of

dent that the other half will finally b

A RECORD BREAKER.

The Navy Department recently ordered

one hundred men of the crew of the

Charleston, at Mare Island, Cal., to the

navy yard at Norfolk. The department

desired to ascertain what was the least

possible time they could be transferred

across the continent. Word was received

at the department today that the men have arrived at Norfolk, having made the

trip by special train in four days and twenty-three hours, which is a record

Pacific and Seaboard Air Line. The usual method of transferring sailors from the

Atlantic to the Pacific heretofore has been

DISTRICT GOVERNMENT.

Electric Light Contention.

for the District that the Commissioners

had no right to consider the bid of the Potomac Light and Power Company for

lighting that part of the city east of Rock

creek came the representatives of that

company to see that the opinion was not

Up to the present time nothing has been done regarding the matter, and the Com-

missioners have agreed not to act finally upon the subject until the return of Com-missioner Ross. He is expected to be on

hand Monday next.

A reporter of The Star in conversation

with Vice President Lieb of the Potomac

company today asked what action he pro

posed to take in the matter. He replied

that the Commissioners had not yet approved the opinion of the attorney for the District. Until that matter was settled he could not say what would be done. He intil that had been approved to the could not say what would be done.

timated, however, that should the decision

of the Commissioners be favorable to the United States Electric Company, he pro-

posed to take the matter into court for

he purpose of compelling the Commission-

ers to award the contract to the Potomac

company, it being the lowest responsible

Safety Gates.

A most important order is now under

consideration by the Commissioners. It is

one which will compel all railroad compa-

nies operating within the limits of the Dis-

trict to provide safety gates at their respective crossings. In other words, every

spective crossings. In other words, every grade crossing in Washington must be pro-

Not long age a delegation of citizens representing the Northeast Washington Citizens Association filed a letter with the

avenues or roads shall be made safe by

Wheelmen's Contention.

The Commissioners have about con-

cluded not to carry out the recommenda-

tion of the bicyclists that all vehicles noving after dark be required to show

a light, and that roving commissions be

granted certain bicyclists which will con-

ome days ago, as stated at the time in

fer police authority upon them.

bidder for the work.

Fast upon the opinion of the attorney

cupied thirty-five days.

The route was via the Southern

of the Isthmus of Panama, and oc-

stood, is much less than \$10,000.

TWO CENTS.

# **QUEEN MIGHT RETIRE**

An Old Rumor Has Been Revived About Victoria.

# HER LAST VISIT TO THE METROPOLIS

Will Live Hereafter at Balmoral or Isle of Wight.

HER INCREASED FEEBLENESS

LONDON, July 31.-The rumor that Queen Victoria intends to retire in favor of the Prince of Wales is again current today, and it is added that court circles are greatqueen's health. Such reports have frequently appeared of recent years, only to will be made by ex-Chairman Taubeneck be semi-officially contradicted later. But it now seems that there may be some actual foundation for the statements made. It is added that her majesty has decided to spend her time in future at Balmoral or at Osporne, and that she will give the

Prince and Princess of Wales the use of Buckingham Palace and Windsor Castle. There is no doubt that the queen seems to feel greatly the weight of her years and bereavements, and her majesty is quoted as having repeatedly remarked during her last stay in this city, at Buckingham Palace, upon the occasion of the recent marriage of Princess Maud of Wales to Prince Charles of Denmark: "This is my last visit to London."

Color is given to the rumors in circulation by the deep emotion displayed by the queen as she bowed in reply to the enthusiastic cheers of the multitudes which lined the route from Buckingham Palace to the railway station, where she took the train for Windsor after the marriage ceremonies. Was not the nominee of the Chicago convention. It is said that the populists are arranging to send a large number of speakers in the field, but they will also do much in the way of sending out literature. siastic cheers of the multitudes which lined

# DEMOCRATS MAKE ADVANCES.

### Taking Steps in North Carolina Toward Fusion on Electors.

Special Disputch to The Evening Star. RALEIGH, N. C., July 31.-By a vote of 29 to 5 at 2 o'clock this morning the democratic state committee adopted the following resolutions:

"Whereas, both democratic and populist parties, in national convention, have nom!nated Bryan for President, and "Whereas, electoral ticket for Bryan and

Sewall and another for Bryan and Watson will endanger election of Bryan and promote chances of McKinley obtaining electoral vote of North Carolina;

"Therefore, to the end that all persons favoring the election of Bryan may have their votes counted in the electoral college for him.

Resolved, That the democratic party hereby offers to the populist party a fair that the state chairman is authorized to confer with the populist state chairman, leoking to union of the two parties upon one electoral ticket, and report to this committee as early as practicable.

Clement Manly, the new state chairman is given authority to appoint an advisory committee of five, which will really do the work. Fusion on the state ticket with populists was discussed in a desultory way No action was taken. Any policy looked like proscribing gold democrats was abandoned. No plan of campaign was

It is thought that Senator Butler will demand that all eieven electoral votes be given for Bryan and Watson. Some leading democrats and populists are in confer-ence today. Butler arrives this afternoon. He and Chairman Manly will have a con-

# Hendquarters Not to Be Moved.

NEW YORK, July 31.-Chairman Mark A. Hanna returned from his visit to Whitelaw Reid, at White Plains, early today, but he had nothing to repeat of what was said there by himself or by either of the other guests, J. Pierpont Morgan and D. Ogden

"It was only a social call. We had : pleasant time, a good night's rest and pleasant to eat. That's all," he said. Mr. Hanna's attention was called to a re-port from Chicago that, because of alleged republican factional difficulties there, had determined upon a removal of the national headquarters thence to Cleveland. "That," said he, "is untrue. You say there is not a word of truth in it." You may

### The Third Ticket Movement. CHICAGO, July 31.-There will be an important meeting of the executive commit-

tee having in charge state organizations of gold standard democrats at the Palmer House headquarters tomorrow. Gen. Bragg, chairman, issued the call,

and it is expected reports will be received from states enough to give an indication as to what extent the third ticket movement has gone and will go. The work of bringing about a national

convention is progressing satisfactorily. It is now believed that from thirty to thirty-

five states will be represented at the con-ference on August 7. Repudiated the Chicago Platform.

### KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 31.-A big meeting of gold-standard democrats, under the auspices of the National Democratic Club, was held last night at the Coates House. Ex-Chief Justice Black presided and over 200 democrats were in attendance. The meeting adopted a declaration

ance. The meeting adopted a declaration of principles repudiating the Chicago platform and characterizing it as "a menace to good government, an assault upon the horor and credit of the nation and injurious to the welfare of the people." The meeting also adopted a resolution demarding the calling of another national convention to adopt a democratic platform and nominate democratic candidates

### President and Vice President. VICTIMS OF THE HEAT.

# At Least Fifty Persons Prostrated

Yesterday at St. Louis. ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 31.-At least fifty victims of the terirble heat which continued to prevail here were treated yesterday at the City Dispensary and various hospitals throughout the city. There were probably other cases that were not made public. Ten of these victims have died, and more may succumb. The thermometer rose to 96 degrees in the shade at 4:30 p.m., but in the evening a cool breeze sprung up, tem-pering the fierce heat. The dead: Police Officer John Crossey, Edward Camp, Chas. Brown, Henry Fisher, William Henry, Julius Laux, George Beard, G. H. Thiemeyer, two unknown men. The total number of prostrations so far as reported is

# NO WORD RECEIVED.

### Archbishop Ireland Knows Nothing About Mgr. Satolli's Successor.

What Archbishop Ireland Sava. ST. PAUL, Minn., July 81.-Archbishop Ireland had received no other word in regard to the appointment of a successor for Mgr. Satolli as delegate to the United States than that contained in the Associated Press dispatch from Rome. He spoke very highly of Father Martinelli, whom he es-teems very much, and believes he will make an excellent delegate.

He Takes a Very Rosy View of Bryan's Pros-

What is Going on at the Headquar ters of the Populists and Bilver Men.

The temporary, and probably the perma nent, headquarters of the populist national committee will be located at 1420 New York avenue, which is the headquarters of Senator Stewart and his silver pa-

Ex-Secretary Turner of the national com mittee is temporarily in charge of the headquarters, and will remain here until the arrival of Senator Marion- Butler, chairman, and Secretary Edgerton. They are expected to reach Washington next ly troubled regarding the condition of the week, and will immediately assume charge. The transfer of property and of accounts

> and ex-Secretary Turner. Mr. Turner will probably take the stump for Bryan and Sewall unless he is prevailed upon to remain with the national committee, of which he has been secretary for four years. Mr. Turner was the organizer of the Georgia Alliance for years and is said to have done more for the populist party than any man in the state, even leaving out Watson. Mr. Turner made a strong fight at St. Louis for the nomination of Bryan and Sewall. He still believes that Sewall ought to have the Maine man will withdraw from the

> It is said that a majority of the new national committee is composed of "mid-dle-of-the-road" men, and they are expected to vigorously oppose the withdrawal of Watson. The populist national committee, it is stated, will be run entirely independent of the democratic national committee. It will make a fight for the ticket nominated just the same as if Bryan

### Senator Stewart's Figures.

Senator Stewart left yesterday for New York on a political mission of some kind. He expects to be away for several days. He has written an editorial for the next issue of his paper, giving his views on the number of states which will be carried by Bryan and Sewail. He takes a rosy view of the situation, and figures out the cer- ing engineered by populists and silver party tain election of the democratic ticket. Here are the Senator's figures:

Sure democratic states-Alabama, 11; Arkansas, 8; California, 9; Colorado, 4; Delaware, 3; Florida, 4; Georgia, 13; Idaho, 3; Kantas, 10; Kentucky, 13; Louislana, 8; Maryland, S; Mississippi, 9; Missouri, 17; Montana, 3; Nebraska, 8; Nevada, 3; North Carolina, 11; North Dakota, 3; Oregon, 4; South Carolina, 9; South Dakota, 4; Ten-ressee, 12; Texas, 15; Utah, 3; Virginia, 12; Washington, 4; West Virginia, 6; Wyomirg, 3. Total, 220. This is four less than

the number necessary to a choice.

Doubtful states—Illinois, 24; Indiana, 15;
Iowa, 13; Michigan, 14; Minnesota, 9; New ork, 36 total, 111. Senator Stewart says he does not think there is much doubt about any of these, unless it is New York, but for the sake of argument he puts them as doubtful.

# For McKinley.

Senator Stewart estimates the following states as "probable" for McKinley: Conncticut, 6; Maine, 6; Massachusetts, 15; New Hampshire, 4; New Jersey, 10; Ohio,

### mont, 4; Wisconsin, 12; total, 116. At Silver Headquarters.

Mr. Pile of the silver party received a number of visitors at silver party headquarters. Among the number was E. D. Root, editor of the Winchester, Va., Leader, a republican paper. Mr. Root announces his conversion to the cause of silver. In city the attitude of Tom Watson, as exan interview he said to a Star reporter pressed in his Georgia paper, is viewed as that Bryan and Sewall will carry by a larger majority than ever given a to keep up a stiff upper lip and talk big democratic ticket in the state. that the white republican farmers of Virginia are nearly all for silver and that crats into believing that he is indispensable many republicans in all parts of the state and to get Sewall out of the way. He has are turning over to the ticket.

# AT REPUBLICAN HEADQUARTERS.

Good Outlook for Victory in Delaware, Maryland and North Carolina. At republican congressional headquarters Vice Chairman Apsley is still in charge, with Secretary Mercer and Col. Fred. Schrader as his active assistants. Chairman Babcock has won his renomination and is expected to return to the city in a few days and resume his labors in behalf of the congressional campaign.

One of the callers at headquarters today was Gen. Wilson, the national committeeman from Delaware, who has returned from New York, where he has met his colleagues of the national committee. Gen. Wilson had a long talk with Vice Chairman Apsley and gave him assurances of republican victory in Delaware. He did not deny the existence of the factional troubles in Dela ware, arising out of the Higgins-Addick feud, but expressed the opinion that harmony would be reached in the action upon the electoral ticket.

Senator Pritchard of North Carolina also called at headquarters and talked over the situation in his state with Mr. Apsley. Senator Pritchard has not abated from the confident attitude he has assumed all the

Representative Coffin of Maryland was another caller upon Mr. Apsley this morn-ing. He said there has been considerable free silver sentiment in Maryland, but that he has observed a falling off in the talk within the last ten days. He is confident of republican success in Maryland. He says the democrats are badly divided upon the money question, and the fact that the principal democratic papers of the state are opposing the Chicago platform has a great deal to do with influencing public opinion

### in the democratic ranks. DEMOCRATIC HEADQUARTERS.

### Little Doubt That Washington Will Be Selected.

Senator Jones, chairman of the democratic national committee, is expected here tomorrow. Immediately after his arrival the announcement of the location of the national headquarters will be made. Little doubt is entertained at the democratic congressional headquarters that Washington wiff be selected. The fact that Mr. St. John, treasurer of the committee, had engaged rooms at the Bartholdi, in New York led to the announcement yesterday from New York that the headquarters were to be located there. This is plainly the result of a misapprehension. The rooms he engaged were simply those of the treasurer. Chairman Jones will also announce the member-ship of the executive committee upon his arrival here.

# Personal Mention.

David W. Stockstill, who was injured in falling from a building last week, and taken to Providence Hospital, has so far recovered as to be taken to his home, 1419

22d street northwest. Mr. B. K. Peter is confined to the house in Tudor place, Georgetown, by illness.

Mr. Robt. W. Bretney of the W. L. I.
Corps leaves this evening for Atlantic City,
where he will spend a few days.

# SEN. STEWART'S FIGURES SEWALL AND WATSON MISS HYNES WITHDRAWS ROAD ORDERED

An Effort Being Made to Get Them Together.

# THE DEMOCRATS WON'T ADVISE IT

Populists Want Bryan's Notification to Be a Ratification Meeting.

MR. WATSON'S BLUSTER

It is said here in well-informed political circles that a strong effort is now making to have Watson and Sewall get together for a personal conference over the question of one or the other withdrawing from the vice presidential race. Nothing could be learned as to when it is hoped to get them to meet cr whether there is any real hope that they can be got together at all. The supposition, however, is that Watson may be induced to attend the notification meeting in New York, at which Mr. Sewall will probably be present, and that the men can then talk over affairs.

Democrats Won't Advise It. The efforts which are making are the work of prominent members of the silver and populist parties. So far as known few democrats are engaged in the undertaking The truth, it is stated, is that few democrats would advise Mr. Sewall to withdraw. They would also not advise him to meet Watson for the purpose of discussing the question. There has been little talk in democratic circles in favor of getting Sewall off the ticket. As a rule, democrats believe, so far as can be gathered here, that the withdrawal of Sewall, and the ostensible support of Watson by the democrats, would injure the democratic ticket. "There is no danger," said a prominent democrat to a Star reporter, "that Sewall will get off the ticket. If there is any withdrawing Wat-son will do it." The same gentleman also expressed the belief that Sewall had no dea of pulling out of the race.

A Ratification Meeting. Another important political scheme is afoot, the facts of which have been learned by a Star reporter. This scheme is also bepeople, with the possibility of some democratic backing, but no influential democrats are known to be behind it at this time. The scheme is to have the notification neeting in New York turned into a grand "ratification" meeting, at which Mr. Bryan will not have much to say about the democtatic nomination and party; at least, at which he will say nothing which will of-fend the populists or make them think he has discriminated against them. It is said that many populists are still sore over the nomination of Bryan at St. Louis, and that If the democratic candidate bestows all his praises and love on the democratic party these sore fellows will be disposed to kick

It is known here to be a fact, or is said to be a fact by those who ought to know, that one of the objects of the visit of Chairman Lane of the silver party to Lincoln was to talk with Mr. Bryan about this "ratification" scheme. Whether Mr. Bryan will agree to this proposition is not known, but that it has been mentioned to him there is not much doubt. At any rate, Mr. Bryan will be asked to talk generalities at his 25; Pennsylvania, 32; Rhode Island, 4; Ver- New York meeting when it comes to the matter of party nominations, and that he will be asked to tread on as few toes as possible. He will be advised to deal as fully and as freely with the silver question desires, but not to get too free on

### partisan matters. Tom Watson's "Bluster."

Among silver men of all parties in the Virginia one of "bluster." Watson, they say, wants for the purpose of frightening the demoan idea, they say, that the democrats will be intimidated by his threats, and to bring about thorough harmony they will ask Sewall to get off the ticket. It is also said that much of Watson's talk is for Georgia consumption. The situation there demands that the populists, to save their party, act to keep up the animosities of the past. Watson is forced to stick by his party and those who have stuck by him. Whatvere Watson says now is looked upon as of na-tional interest, when the fact is that his paper, in which what he thinks is printed, is Georgia interest wholly.

# FRESH BREEZES BLOWING.

### A Promise That It Will Be Slightly Cooler Tomorrow.

There were fewer wilted collars and crumpled cuffs and less vituperation of the atmosphere today than has been noticeable for some time past, and the reason of it all was that a host of pleasant and reviving breezes began rolling in out of the west early in the morning and continued their gladly welcomed inroads all through the day. The thermometers showed sympathy for the new order of things meteorological by dropping down a few degrees, and, altogether, there was much for the great general public to be thankful for in a weather way, when comparison was made with the preceding scorchers of the week. The gratifying information was given out by the weather bureau that the temperature would become still more bearable, the announcement of "slightly cooler" being phoned to numerous inquirers from the bureau with alacrity, not unmixed with pride. There were more people on the streets today in the business quarters than for some days, and considerable shopping was indulged in, to the great gratification

The weather sharps up near Rock creek reported that the thermometric readings up to 2 o'clock this afternoon were as follows: 8 a.m., 76; 2 p.m., 41; maximum, 82; minimum, 76. For yesterday the figures were: 8 a.m.,

### 80; 2 p.m., 87; maximum, 88; minimum, 72. To Inspect the Pay Stations.

Gen. T. H. Stanton, paymaster general of the army, will leave here tomorrow for an inspection of the different pay stations in the west. He is especially interested in the success of the new system of paying troops. Paymasters are not now sent to the different posts. Instead, the money is sent to the post commanders and paid to the troops by the company commanders. The new system has not been altogether satisfactory to the officers of the pay department, nor to the army officers who are responsible for the correct handling of the inspection of the system in practical operation, with a view of making it as perfect as possible. He expects to be away about

# To Look After Filibusters.

The cruiser Montgomery arrived at Key West this morning to enforce the neutrality laws and to assist the national and state authorities in keeping out contagious diseases. In the performance of these duties she relieves the battle ship Maine, which left Key West this morning for Norfolk, where she will prepare to join Admiral Bunce's squadron of evolution.

The B. and O. Must Vacate a Public Reservation.

# VICTORY FOR CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION

Long-Drawn-Out Fight Ended by While it will not be a matter of surprise to an Order Today.

IN CONTROVERSY

of one-half of the estate. That is, Miss Elizabeth Hynes of Kentucky, equal bene-Secretary Hoke Smith of the Interior Department has issued an order to the receivers of the Baltimore and Ohio Railread Company directing them to remove their tracks, cars, derricks, etc., from the government reservation bounded by G and Hynes' withdrawal and assignment, it is H streets and Delaware avenue and 1st street northeast, within sixty days from

her for the expense borne by her so far in The isstance of this order is the outcome of ten years of fighting on the part of President E. H. Tucker and the members of the Northeast Washington Citizens' cousin by marriage of Judge Holt, the cousin of his wife, and when, after the long legal battle over it, the alleged will Association, and is hailed by them with great delight, not only because of the success of their long-continued efforts, but because so far as is known it is the first in the history of railroading in this part of the country at least that a railroad company has been forced to vacate prop-erty so long held by it, even by sufferance, without a resort to the courts.

The place referred to is a particularly cangerous one for persons riding in the cable cars, in vehicles or bicycles and pe-destrians, and while, fortunately, there have been but few persons killed there, the incidents of narrow escape from a horrible death are quite numerous.

Since, too, the cable cars have been run-ning on H street the collisions between freight engines and heavy wagons have been of such frequency as to greatly annoy the passengers on the cars, the engines on several occasions causing the heavily load-ed wagons to break down on the cable crossing and delay persons on their way to or from business for a long time. There have also been instances when the street cars were struck by the locomotives and the lives of the passengers thereby en-

### Authorities Informed.

Appeals, with Miss Hynes out of it, and with her share in the estate secure in the possession of the heirs-at-law should the The Northeast Washington Citizens' Aswill eventually be sustained, a contingency which the helrs-at-law do not in the least sociation, by Evan H. Tucker, president, expect or fear. The estate is valued at from \$150,000 to \$200,000, so by the settle-ment with Miss Hynes the heirs-at-law will under date of January 30, 1896, called the attention of the department to the fact that the public reservation in question was in any event divide between them at least one-half of its value. The appeal will prob-ably be disposed of by the Court of Ap-peals some time next November or Decem-ber, and from that court, if the judgment at that time and had been for a number of years previous thereto, unlawfully occupled by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company for the parking of cars, etc., thereby endangering the lives of thousands ber, and from that court, if the judgment of the lower court be affirmed, it is expected that Miss Throckmorton and Mr. Devlin will carry the case to the United States Supreme Court, where it may not be reached for s-veral years. But, as one of the heirs-at-law remarked today, they are "playing on velvet" so far as one-half of the estate is concerned, and are confident that the other half will finally be of people who were compelled to cross the tracks at that point by obstructing the view of passing trains on the adjacent tracks, causing numerous accidents, resulting in loss of life, limb and property; also, that it used said ground as a place to ununder the authority reserved to the Secre-tary of the Interior by section 1818, Revised Statutes, that said corporation be prevented from further using said public Rapid Transportation of Men From space for its private purposes.

# The Road's Contentions.

Citation was issued to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company to show cause why it should not be required to vacate the public space or reservation illegally occupied by it. The company responded to such citation and requested a hearing, which was accorded, and subsequently filed a brief in its behalf. In the latter the company admits that it occupies the public space or reservation in question; that it has no title thereto, and has never disputed the fact that it is the property of the government, It is claimed, however, that up to 1872 the land in question was in the undisturbed possession of the company; that in 1872 the authorities of the District of Columbia asserted title thereto, and thereafter permit-ted the continued use of said space by the company on the condition that it would un ad thereon for delivery material for the District government. In 1887 the chief of engineers, United States army, in charge of public buildings and grounds in this city, asserted title to the said space or reserva-tion as United States property and claimed that it was under his supervision; but made no effort to disturb the company in its occupation thereof. In 1889 the officer in harge of public buildings and grounds permitted the company to run additiona tracks into said space or reservation and build a large derrick thereon, the same to be used in handling the granite and marble or use in the construction of the Congressional Library building. The tracks and the lerrick in question still remain on said reservation, the government making use there of at this time, as alleged by the railroad company, in receiving heavy stone freight

### at that point. Important Change of Policy.

A complete change of policy in the method of government prosecution of railroads in the west to recover lands erroneously patented to them is provided for in directions just issued by the Secretary of the Interior to the commissioner of the general land office. In these the rule is laid down that all railroads against which suits are now pending for vacation of patents, under the act of March 3, 1887, shall make a showing as to the bona fides of the purchasers (from the road) of the lands patented, similar he showing made in the recent cases of the Burlington and Missouri River and the Union Pacific railroads. Similar recommendations for the dismissal of suits where innocent bona fide purchasers may retain title will hereafter be made by the department in all these cases.

# Successful Test of Gatlings.

Commissioners calling attention to certain dangerous crossings which were unprodangerous crossings which were unpro-tected and urging the enactment of a po-lice regulation compelling the railroad companies to protect these crossings with Secretary Herbert and a number of nava officers attended a test of an improved mechanism for the feeding of the Gatling gates.

The matter was referred to the attorney for the District and he has reported the case back to the Commissioners with the recommendation, it is inderstood, that no new regulation is necessiry, for the reason that the case is fully covered already by the police regulations, which, under section 31 of article 10, say:

"Ali grade crossings or intersections of any steam railroad tracks with streets, avenues or roads shall be made safe by gun at the Washington navy yard yesterday afternoon. Two rounds of 500 cartridges each were fired in two minutes and fifteen second and two minutes and thirty seconds, respectively. The test was regarded as satisfactory. The improvement enables the gun to be fed directly from the box in which the cartridges are shipped from the factory, instead of from a belt, thus obviating the necessity of frequent the company owning or operating such roads by gates and electric bells or other means and appliances approved by the Commissioners of the Datriet of Columbia. refilling.

# Acting Secretary of State.

Assistant Secretary Rockhill, who has been in charge of the business of the State Department since the departure of Secretary Olney on his summer vacation, left her this afternoon for Berkeley Springs, W. Va., where he will remain for a few weeks rest and recreation. Second Assistant Sec-retary Adee will act as Secretary of State until the return of Secretary Olney.

### Pardon Application Denied. The President has denied the application for pardon in the case of William D. Swan convicted in the District of Columbia of cesping a disorderly house, and sentenced

Difficulty of the Maine Democrats in Their State Campaign.

The Same Thing Confronts Mr. Hill in New York-A Very Hard

Nut to Crack. Mr. Sewall's difficulties are multiplying. He is not only under a heavy populistic fire from the west and south, but he is the subject of some bitter objurgations, uttered in a low tone, by many eastern democrats.

There is no likelihood of his being forced

off the ticket, but regret is getting to be widespread that he ever consented to accept

a place en .t. Trouble in Maine. The embarrassments in Maine illustrate and emphasize the embarrassments of eastern democrats generally. The Maine aemocrats met in state convention, adopted a gold platform, and nominated a state ticket, some weeks before the Chicago convention was held. The action was not hur-ried or excited. It was easily accomplished, and una imous. No silver sentiment of the least consequence showed itself. Maine spoke for gold, and sent a delega-tion to Chicago to work for gold. Now, owing to the nomination of Mr. Sewall, all is confusion. The candidate for governor has retired from the race because

his sympathies are with the state rather than with the national platform of his party. His place must be filled. But by whom? Who of any strength in the state is willing to come forward and run for govrnor on a free silver platform? It is insisted that another state convention should be called, and a platform written and a ticket nominated in consonance with the party's action at Chicago. But this, it is recognized, will put the Maine democrats in a painful light. They are on record, and the question at issue is one Goldsmith Prelimination of Coldsmith Prelimination of Col upon which men are holding firm convic-tions. Their own convictions are firm, and lantic City: Franklin Dubois, Clearfield,

would anybody, anywhere, accept it for truth? Would it be valued as other than

The Same Difficulty in New York. This is Mr. Hill's difficulty in New York. Not only did the New York democrats de- D. E. Wood, shipping clerk, Camden, N. J. clare for gold in their state convention, but G. B. Taylor, address unknown; James M. they did so at a time when it was perfectly Bateman, Bridgeton; part of a shirt found plain to everybody that the Chicago convention would declare for silver. They an- are now nine bodies at the Excursion tagonized with their eyes open, and in obedience to their firm convictions, what they characterized as an undemocratic and a ruinous public policy. Yet the proposition now is that the words of that deliverance be eaten, and a fresh deliverance, designed N. J. to help along an undemocratic and a ruin-ous public policy, be put out.

### A Hard Nut to Crack.

Politicians accommodate themselves to a good many necessities, but there are some things they hesitate to attempt. They lose eight years old, Camden, fractured femur; by appearing to surrender faith too easily. William Spalding of Philadelphia, Readload freight, causing a nuisance to the neighborhood and great inconvenience to the public. The association requested that and particularly the party managers, have a Johnson, eleven years old, Shiloh, N. J., cola hard nut to crack. They are at heart all lar bone fractured; J. S. Watson, Yorkgold men, and they are on record as pre- town; Mrs. J. S. Watson, Yorktown; W. dicting unnumbered woes to the country if the finances of the government should go to a silver basis. How can they, now, without serious injury to their standing as leaders worthy of trust, face about, even Richard Freese, Yorktown; Samuel Muta, at the behest of a majority, and assist in bringing that disaster on the country? There will be cakes and all after this campaign is over, but not for those who in so great an emergency showed themselves to Samuel Wentzell, Alloway, N. J.; Elmer be unstable and time-serving. The better Wentzell, Alloway, N. J.; Elmer feeling is that the man who stands to his er Lillian Toler, University of the control of the contr guns will in the end gain by it, as well as serve the public good by doing so.

# FAVOR OF THE MEN.

### Arbitration of the Georgetown Labor Dispute. The arbitration committee appointed to

settle the dispute between the bricklayers employed on the union depot and Contractor Arthur Cowsill finished its consideration of the matter at 2 o'clock to-

Two reports were sent in by the committee, one jointly by Mr. W. A. Hutchins, the neutral, and Mr. Maghan, representing the bricklayers' union, and the other by Mr. Stinemetz, the representative of Mr. Cowsill. The majority report was in

favor of the men.

It declared that as it could not be satisfactorily established that Contractor Cowsill had stated that the reconstruction the defective wall must take place at the expense of the bricklayers employed directly upon it he was liaable for the \$20.82 retained from the three men's wages. Mr. Steinmetz appeared satisfied that the men had been told that they should pay for the work, and accordingly held out for the contractor. The three men who made the trouble will

not be employed any longer by the contractor.

### AS FROM THE GRAVE. Persons Reported Killed Return to

Bridgeton, N. J.

BRIDGETON, N.J., July 31,-This usually quiet town is in a condition of excitement, uncertainty and distress. Persons reported as killed in the awful crash at Atlantic City arrive home in good condition physically, and they are welcomed as from the grave, while hopes raised high by some vague rumor concerning missing ones are at times quickly dashed to earth by an authentic piece of information. A vast throng of men, women and children has besieged the West Jersey railroad station, anxiously awaiting news from the scene of disaster. Every incoming train is quickly surrounded by the people, and as passengers alight they are plied with all sorts of

questions.

Mayor M. E. Applegate, Thomas E. Trenchard and Dr. John C. Thompson went to Atlantic City this morning, and will arrange to have all bodies of residents of this city forwarded to their late homes. So far not a single corpse has arrived.

### Lehmaier Reported Near Death. NEW YORK, July 31.-Michael Lehmaier, who was shot while trying to break into his wife's room, Tuesday morning, by Mrs. Lehmaier's brother, Charles A. Johnson, is reported to be dying at the hospital to which he was taken after the shooting. The actions of Lehmaier which led to the tragedy are attributed to his being addict-

ed to the use of morphine. An American Ship Aground. BATAVIA, Island of Java, July 31.-The American ship S. D. Carlton, Capt. Ames bury, from New York on April 23 for Shanghal, has been aground on the Pan-jang reef. She was leaking badly when floated, but her commander hopes she will

he able to proceed to her destination

NEW YORK, July 31.-The World this morning says: The marriage of Cornelius Vanderbilt, jr., and Miss Grace Wilson will take place tomorrow. The ceremony will probably be held at the Wilson home. As Naval Mevements.

The Columbia left Brunswick, Ga., this morning for Tompkinsville, N. Y. The Bancrotte as arrived at New London,

The Vanderbilt-Wilson Wedding.

# MR. SEWALL'S TROUBLES FORTY-THREE DEAD

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Revised List of the Victims of the Crossing Disaster.

# RESCUERS AT WORK ALL NIGHT

Statement by the Engineer of the Excursion Train.

## CLAIMSHEHADRIGHTOFWAY

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., July 31.-The midsummer sun burst this morning upon a sleepless, horror-stricken community. The galety which will mark this resort from now until the end of the season will be but a faint echo of days past. A death pall has fallen on it. On every street corner and hotel plazza people discuss last night's fearful catastrophe and the additional details revealed by the break of day. The list of dead as revised now numbers fortythree, and this is thought to be correct, although there is a possibility that more bodies are under the debris in the pond beside the wreck. The injured so far as known aggregate forty-three. The revised

# Dend.

Charles Muta and John Griver, Bridgeton; Charles Eckler, Salem; Charles P. McGear and Mr. and Mrs. Trenchard, Bridgeton; S. P. Murphy, Millville; Joseph Petus, J. D. Johnson, Charles D. Eurroughs, Goldsmith, Bridgeton; Samuel Thorne, Atthey are known. They have not been changed since they were formally recorded. If a free silver platform were adopted now ton; Mary Wentzell, Alloway, N. L. Lidden. ton; Mary Wentzell, Alloway, N. J.: Lidie Carr and Pearl Muta, Bridgeton: Mrs. Elan election trick, performed under pres-sure, and holding out no prospects of suc-and Anna Freis, Bridgeton, Edward Freis and Anna Freis, Bridgeton; Edward Farr, Reading railroad engineer, Atlantic City; man supposed to be Charles Sebert, Bridgeton; Charles May, Palatine, N. J.; with name stamped "A. H. Fox." There House, where the dead have been gathered, not identified. A boy about twelve years old, supposed to be A. Peters; Reva M. Looper, twelve years old, of Yorktown,

Injured. Harry Watson, twelve years old, Yorktown, N. J., legs broken; Albert H. Taylor, Bridgeton; Mary Pittman, twelve years old, Yorktown, N. J.; John S. Kelly, twenty-Jones, twenty-three years old. Bridgeton; Mrs. Lizzie Muta, Bridgeton: Chas. Helmslee, twenty-eight years old, Bridgeton; Mrs. fourteen years old, Bridgeton: Wesley Lee, fifty-six years old, Bridgeton; Howard Woodlin, eighteen years old, Bridgeton; er, Lillian Tyler, Lizzie Smalley, Caroline Smalley, Howard Smalley, all of Bridgeton; Rachael Abbott, Rhodestown, N. J.: William Sheney, Bridgeton; J. S. Johnson, Shirley, N. J.; Samuel Pittman, Wm. C. Helmslee, both of Bridgeton; Samuel Wilson, Alloway, N. J.; Frank Moreville, Bridgeton; H. Muta, Bridgeton; Hanford Wilson, Alloway, Muta, Bridgeton; Hanford Wilson, Alloway, N. J.; William Boughton, Edward Speley, William Winkler, David Kitchman, S. H. Frazer, all of Bridgeton; Irwin Dubols, Woodruff, N. J.; Chester Burksall, Bridge-ton; Mrs. Fannie Fralinger, Philadelphia: Jacob Johnson, Shirley, N. J.; Howard Woodland, Bridgeton; C. Homer, Alloway.

### Rescuers Work All Night. The force of rescuers continued at work

throughout the night, but no more bodies were found. Engineer Edward Farr, who died with his hand on the throttle, was taken out early this morning. It was with much difficulty that his rigid fingers were unclasped from the lever. His head and face were untouched and his eyes looked skyward with a ghastly glare. He had been pinned down by the chest and apparently met instant death.

Almost every bone in the body of one male victim was broken when taken from the ruins, and many were so frightfully mangled as to be beyond recognition.

By 8 c'clock this morning the greater part of the debris had been cleared away, and it is thought that all the bodies have been recovered. Ranged along each side of the stagnant pool which marks the scene were stacked in little heaps the hats, caps, gloves and other articles of clothing found on the ground. They were pitiful mementos of the disaster. They were guarded by a small force of railroad men and city police.

### The Work of Resene. The sight that met the searchers for the

dead working among the wreckage was a most terrible one in the flickering light of the huge bonfires which spouted sheets of yellow flames into the night. The gang of men went crawling over the debris hacking at the cars with axes, straining to raise heavy timbers with crowbars and peering by the light of their lanterns into the heaps of wreckage. A great part of their work had to be carried on in the midst of miry ground and often they slipped and fell into the foul mud of the meadow land. But still ciambering over uncertain passage ways, clinging to piles of wreckage and risking their necks on slippery timbers, they worked steadily on looking for the bodies of the injured and dead. Every now and then a number of lanterns clustered around a spot in the firelight, the specta-tors could see the grimy, sweating workmen straining on their crowbars or swing-ing their axes into the splintered wood, and then one or two would stop, lower their lanterns and, groping in the deoris with their hands, while their comrades stood by leaning on their tools, draw out a black shapeless mass. Sometimes it was a man, sometimes a child and sometimes a woman whose long hair, broken loose, hung in strings and tangles from her head. Then the cry would go up, "Chief, Chief," and the men carry their gruesome burden, its face covered with a bloody handkerchief,

### through the crowd. An Unruly Crowd.

Chief of Police Eldridge, who looked at the bodies, gave orders for their disposal. Then it was carried to where the corpses lay, and the men looked with their lanterns like great fireflies floating about the ruins.

While this was going on the crowd was lined seven or eight deep around the splin-tered cars and interfered considerably with the gang of laborers. Word had been sent immediately on the occurrence of the accident to the city for police aid and a patrol appeared almost as soon as the vanguard of the crowd.

They took charge of the entire affair.

# Some days, ago, as stated at the time in The Star, this matter was submitted to the attorney for the District, Mr. S. T. Thomas, for his opinion as to the Commissioners' power to carry out the recommendations of the whelmen. Today Attorney Thomas sent back the papers in the case, holding, it is understood, that it would be unreasonable to compel private vehicles to carry lights after dark, and that the Commissioners had not the power to grant roving police commissions.